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September 14, 1976

Dear Miss Toche:

In regard to your letter to the President in which you have registered criticism of Director Clarence M. Kelley of the FBI, I am enclosing a copy of the statement by the White House Press Secretary which was issued September 4, and a statement on the same subject issued by the Department of Justice.

This information explains the President's conclusion, and I trust you will take time to consider the reasons for the President's support of Director Kelley.

Thank you very much for your interest and concern.

Sincerely,

Philip W. Buchen  
Counsel to the President

Miss Jean Toche  
46 Broad Street  
Staten Island, New York 10304

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September 14, 1976

Dear Mr. Carver:

In regard to your letter to the President in which you have registered criticism of Director Clarence M. Kelley of the FBI, I am enclosing a copy of the statement by the White House Press Secretary which was issued September 4, and a statement on the same subject issued by the Department of Justice.

This information explains the President's conclusion, and I trust you will take time to consider the reasons for the President's support of Director Kelley.

Thank you very much for your interest and concern.

Sincerely,

Philip W. Buchen  
Counsel to the President

Mr. James E. Carver  
Lakewood Drive, Route 1  
Laurinburg, North Carolina 28352

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September 14, 1976

Dear Miss Paracka:

In regard to your letter to the President in which you have registered criticism of Director Clarence M. Kelley of the FBI, I am enclosing a copy of the statement by the White House Press Secretary which was issued September 4, and a statement on the same subject issued by the Department of Justice.

This information explains the President's conclusion, and I trust you will take time to consider the reasons for the President's support of Director Kelley.

Thank you very much for your interest and concern.

Sincerely,

Philip W. Buchen  
Counsel to the President

Miss Olga Paracka  
133 South Shore Drive  
Miami Beach, Florida 33141

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September 14, 1976

Dear Mr. Wright:

In regard to your letter to the President in which you have registered criticism of Director Clarence M. Kelley of the FBI, I am enclosing a copy of the statement by the White House Press Secretary which was issued September 4, and a statement on the same subject issued by the Department of Justice.

This information explains the President's conclusion, and I trust you will take time to consider the reasons for the President's support of Director Kelley.

Thank you very much for your interest and concern.

Sincerely,

Philip W. Buchen  
Counsel to the President

Mr. William A. Wright  
100 Gifford Place  
Greenville, North Carolina 27834

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September 14, 1976

Dear Mr. Neuman:

In regard to your letter to the President in which you have registered criticism of Director Clarence M. Kelley of the FBI, I am enclosing a copy of the statement by the White House Press Secretary which was issued September 4, and a statement on the same subject issued by the Department of Justice.

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Thank you very much for your interest and concern.

Sincerely,

Philip W. Buchen  
Counsel to the President

Mr. H. W. Neuman  
1103 Fifth Avenue, South  
Edmonds, Washington 98020

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September 14, 1976

Dear Mr. Neuman:

In regard to your letter to the President in which you have registered criticism of Director Clarence M. Kelley of the FBI, I am enclosing a copy of the statement by the White House Press Secretary which was issued September 4, and a statement on the same subject issued by the Department of Justice.

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Thank you very much for your interest and concern.

Sincerely,

Philip W. Buchen  
Counsel to the President

Mr. H. W. Neuman  
1103 Fifth Avenue, South  
Edmonds, Washington 98020

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September 14, 1976

Dear Miss Thomas:

In regard to your letter to the President in which you have registered criticism of Director Clarence M. Kelley of the FBI, I am enclosing a copy of the statement by the White House Press Secretary which was issued September 4, and a statement on the same subject issued by the Department of Justice.

This information explains the President's conclusion, and I trust you will take time to consider the reasons for the President's support of Director Kelley.

Thank you very much for your interest and concern.

Sincerely,

Philip W. Buchen  
Counsel to the President

Miss Carol Thomas  
464 Raintree Drive  
Glen Ellyn, Illinois 60137

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September 14, 1976

Dear Mr. Navish:

In regard to your letter to the President in which you have registered criticism of Director Clarence M. Kelley of the FBI, I am enclosing a copy of the statement by the White House Press Secretary which was issued September 4, and a statement on the same subject issued by the Department of Justice.

This information explains the President's conclusion, and I trust you will take time to consider the reasons for the President's support of Director Kelley.

Thank you very much for your interest and concern.

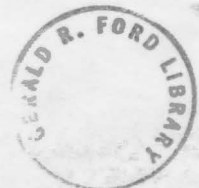
Sincerely,

Philip W. Buchen  
Counsel to the President

Mr. Dennis M. Navish  
The Edward P. Haldeman Agency  
2000 Gateway Center Three  
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania 15222

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September 14, 1976

Dear Mrs. Hellbrueck:

In regard to your letter to the President in which you have registered criticism of Director Clarence M. Kelley of the FBI, I am enclosing a copy of the statement by the White House Press Secretary which was issued September 4, and a statement on the same subject issued by the Department of Justice.

This information explains the President's conclusion, and I trust you will take time to consider the reasons for the President's support of Director Kelley.

Thank you very much for your interest and concern.

Sincerely,

Philip W. Buchen  
Counsel to the President

Mrs. Kathryn Hellbrueck  
Apartment 109  
2622 San Marino Street  
Los Angeles, California 90006

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September 14, 1976

Dear Mr. Thibault:

In regard to your letter to the President in which you have registered criticism of Director Clarence M. Kelley of the FBI, I am enclosing a copy of the statement by the White House Press Secretary which was issued September 4, and a statement on the same subject issued by the Department of Justice.

This information explains the President's conclusion, and I trust you will take time to consider the reasons for the President's support of Director Kelley.

Thank you very much for your interest and concern.

Sincerely,

Philip W. Buchen  
Counsel to the President

Mr. R. B. Thibault  
1230 Maine Prairie Road  
St. Cloud, Minnesota 56301

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September 14, 1976

Dear Mrs. Partridge:

In regard to your message to the President in which you have registered criticism of Director Clarence M. Kelley of the FBI, I am enclosing a copy of the statement by the White House Press Secretary which was issued September 4, and a statement on the same subject issued by the Department of Justice.

This information explains the President's conclusion, and I trust you will take time to consider the reasons for the President's support of Director Kelley.

Thank you very much for your interest and concern.

Sincerely,

Philip W. Buchen  
Counsel to the President

Mrs. George H. Partridge  
625 Spring Hill Road  
Wayzata, Minnesota 55391

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September 14, 1976

Dear Mr. Clay:

In regard to your message to the President in which you have registered criticism of Director Clarence M. Kelley of the FBI, I am enclosing a copy of the statement by the White House Press Secretary which was issued September 4, and a statement on the same subject issued by the Department of Justice.

This information explains the President's conclusion, and I trust you will take time to consider the reasons for the President's support of Director Kelley.

Thank you very much for your interest and concern.

Sincerely,

Philip W. Buchen  
Counsel to the President

Mr. L. H. Clay  
1135 North 17th Street  
Manitowoc, Wisconsin 54220

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September 14, 1976

Dear Mr. Dumont:

In regard to your message to the President in which you have registered criticism of Director Clarence M. Kelley of the FBI, I am enclosing a copy of the statement by the White House Press Secretary which was issued September 4, and a statement on the same subject issued by the Department of Justice.

This information explains the President's conclusion, and I trust you will take time to consider the reasons for the President's support of Director Kelley.

Thank you very much for your interest and concern.

Sincerely,

Philip W. Buchen  
Counsel to the President

Mr. Roger J. Dumont  
3915 Hacienda Street  
San Mateo, California

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September 14, 1976

Dear Mr. Drotch:

In regard to your message to the President in which you have registered criticism of Director Clarence M. Kelley of the FBI, I am enclosing a copy of the statement by the White House Press Secretary which was issued September 4, and a statement on the same subject issued by the Department of Justice.

This information explains the President's conclusion, and I trust you will take time to consider the reasons for the President's support of Director Kelley.

Thank you very much for your interest and concern.

Sincerely,

Philip W. Buchen  
Counsel to the President

Mr. S. Drotch  
31 Linron Drive  
Danbury, Connecticut 06810

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September 14, 1976

Dear Mr. Waldman:

In regard to your message to the President in which you have registered criticism of Director Clarence M. Kelley of the FBI, I am enclosing a copy of the statement by the White House Press Secretary which was issued September 4, and a statement on the same subject issued by the Department of Justice.

This information explains the President's conclusion, and I trust you will take time to consider the reasons for the President's support of Director Kelley.

Thank you very much for your interest and concern.

Sincerely,

Philip W. Buchen  
Counsel to the President

Mr. A. Waldman  
1901 Walnut Street  
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

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September 14, 1976

Dear Mr. Sonaman:

In regard to your letter to the President in which you have registered criticism of Director Clarence M. Kelley of the FBI, I am enclosing a copy of the statement by the White House Press Secretary which was issued September 4, and a statement on the same subject issued by the Department of Justice.

This information explains the President's conclusion, and I trust you will take time to consider the reasons for the President's support of Director Kelley.

Thank you very much for your interest and concern.

Sincerely,

Philip W. Buchen  
Counsel to the President

Mr. S. Sonaman  
Westfield State College  
Westfield, Massachusetts 01085

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September 14, 1976

Dear Mr. Courreges:

In regard to your letter to the President in which you have registered criticism of Director Clarence M. Kelley of the FBI, I am enclosing a copy of the statement by the White House Press Secretary which was issued September 4, and a statement on the same subject issued by the Department of Justice.

This information explains the President's conclusion, and I trust you will take time to consider the reasons for the President's support of Director Kelley.

Thank you very much for your interest and concern.

Sincerely,

Philip W. Buchen  
Counsel to the President

Mr. E. J. Courreges  
3721 Underwood Street  
Houston, Texas 77025

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September 14, 1976

Dear Mrs. Mehlman:

In regard to your letter to the President in which you have registered criticism of Director Clarence M. Kelley of the FBI, I am enclosing a copy of the statement by the White House Press Secretary which was issued September 4, and a statement on the same subject issued by the Department of Justice.

This information explains the President's conclusion, and I trust you will take time to consider the reasons for the President's support of Director Kelley.

Thank you very much for your interest and concern.

Sincerely,

Philip W. Buchen  
Counsel to the President

Mrs. E. Mehlman  
Box 688  
Ocean Beach, New York 11770

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September 14, 1976

Dear Mr. LaBrecque:

In regard to your letter to the President in which you have registered criticism of Director Clarence M. Kelley of the FBI, I am enclosing a copy of the statement by the White House Press Secretary which was issued September 4, and a statement on the same subject issued by the Department of Justice.

This information explains the President's conclusion, and I trust you will take time to consider the reasons for the President's support of Director Kelley.

Thank you very much for your interest and concern.

Sincerely,

Philip W. Buchen  
Counsel to the President

Mr. Edward LaBrecque  
3977 Ohio Street  
San Diego, California 92104

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September 14, 1976

Dear Mrs. Janes:

In regard to your letter to the President in which you have registered criticism of Director Clarence M. Kelley of the FBI, I am enclosing a copy of the statement by the White House Press Secretary which was issued September 4, and a statement on the same subject issued by the Department of Justice.

This information explains the President's conclusion, and I trust you will take time to consider the reasons for the President's support of Director Kelley.

Thank you very much for your interest and concern.

Sincerely,

Philip W. Buchen  
Counsel to the President

Mrs. Harold Janes  
Apartment 103  
3711 Park South Court  
Topeka, Kansas 66609

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September 14, 1976

Dear Mrs. Bromley:

In regard to your letter to the President in which you have registered criticism of Director Clarence M. Kelley of the FBI, I am enclosing a copy of the statement by the White House Press Secretary which was issued September 4, and a statement on the same subject issued by the Department of Justice.

This information explains the President's conclusion, and I trust you will take time to consider the reasons for the President's support of Director Kelley.

Thank you very much for your interest and concern.

Sincerely,

Philip W. Buchen  
Counsel to the President

Mrs. J. H. Bromley  
Lot P  
1500 Beach Boulevard  
Jacksonville Beach, Florida 32250

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September 14, 1976

Dear Mr. Willson:

In regard to your letter to the President in which you have registered criticism of Director Clarence M. Kelley of the FBI, I am enclosing a copy of the statement by the White House Press Secretary which was issued September 4, and a statement on the same subject issued by the Department of Justice.

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Thank you very much for your interest and concern.

Sincerely,

Philip W. Buchen  
Counsel to the President

Mr. G. N. Willson  
14548-1/2 Monkack  
Sherman Oaks, California 91403

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September 14, 1976

Dear Mr. Hansee:

In regard to your letter to the President in which you have registered criticism of Director Clarence M. Kelley of the FBI, I am enclosing a copy of the statement by the White House Press Secretary which was issued September 4, and a statement on the same subject issued by the Department of Justice.

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Thank you very much for your interest and concern.

Sincerely,

Philip W. Buchen  
Counsel to the President

Mr. Allan B. Hansee  
Route 2  
Painted Post, New York 14870

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September 14, 1976

Dear Mr. Malone:

In regard to your letter to the President in which you have registered criticism of Director Clarence M. Kelley of the FBI, I am enclosing a copy of the statement by the White House Press Secretary which was issued September 4, and a statement on the same subject issued by the Department of Justice.

This information explains the President's conclusion, and I trust you will take time to consider the reasons for the President's support of Director Kelley.

Thank you very much for your interest and concern.

Sincerely,

Philip W. Buchen  
Counsel to the President

Mr. James Malone  
Route 4, Box 311B  
Greencastle, Pennsylvania 17225

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September 14, 1976

Dear Mr. Pratt:

In regard to your letter to the President in which you have registered criticism of Director Clarence M. Kelley of the FBI, I am enclosing a copy of the statement by the White House Press Secretary which was issued September 4, and a statement on the same subject issued by the Department of Justice.

This information explains the President's conclusion, and I trust you will take time to consider the reasons for the President's support of Director Kelley.

Thank you very much for your interest and concern.

Sincerely,

Philip W. Buchen  
Counsel to the President

Mr. Charles A. Pratt  
3276 Daytona Avenue  
Cincinnati, Ohio 45211

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September 14, 1976

Dear Mr. Popp:

In regard to your letter to the President in which you have registered criticism of Director Clarence M. Kelley of the FBI, I am enclosing a copy of the statement by the White House Press Secretary which was issued September 4, and a statement on the same subject issued by the Department of Justice.

This information explains the President's conclusion, and I trust you will take time to consider the reasons for the President's support of Director Kelley.

Thank you very much for your interest and concern.

Sincerely,

Philip W. Buchen  
Counsel to the President

Mr. Richard A. Popp  
33400 Pinetree Road  
Pepper Pike, Ohio 44124

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September 14, 1976

Dear Mr. McKee:

In regard to your letter to the President in which you have registered criticism of Director Clarence M. Kelley of the FBI, I am enclosing a copy of the statement by the White House Press Secretary which was issued September 4, and a statement on the same subject issued by the Department of Justice.

This information explains the President's conclusion, and I trust you will take time to consider the reasons for the President's support of Director Kelley.

Thank you very much for your interest and concern.

Sincerely,

Philip W. Buchen  
Counsel to the President

Mr. James W. McKee  
R. D. 3, Chapel Road  
Ashtabula, Ohio 44004

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September 14, 1976

Dear Mrs. Powell:

In regard to your mailgram to the President in which you have registered criticism of Director Clarence M. Kelley of the FBI, I am enclosing a copy of the statement by the White House Press Secretary which was issued September 4, and a statement on the same subject issued by the Department of Justice.

This information explains the President's conclusion, and I trust you will take time to consider the reasons for the President's support of Director Kelley.

Thank you very much for your interest and concern.

Sincerely,

Philip W. Buchen  
Counsel to the President

Mrs. Milton Powell  
110 Clarrige Drive  
Willow Grove, Pennsylvania 19090

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September 14, 1976

Dear Mr. Wilson:

On behalf of the President, I wish to thank you very much for the letter in support of the President's decision in regard to Director Clarence M. Kelley of the FBI.

Your helpful interest and concern is much appreciated.

Sincerely,

Philip W. Buchen  
Counsel to the President

Mr. Clifford Wilson  
5420 Laurel  
Raytown, Missouri 64133

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September 14, 1976

Dear Mr. Fessier:

On behalf of the President, I wish to thank you very much for the letter in support of the President's decision in regard to Director Clarence M. Kelley of the FBI.

Your helpful interest and concern is much appreciated.

Sincerely,

Philip W. Buchen  
Counsel to the President

Mr. M. O. Fessier  
9016 White Oak  
Northridge, California 91324

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September 14, 1976

Dear Mr. Shaw:

On behalf of the President, I wish to thank you very much for the letter in support of the President's decision in regard to Director Clarence M. Kelley of the FBI.

Your helpful interest and concern is much appreciated.

Sincerely,

Philip W. Buchen  
Counsel to the President

Mr. Eric E. Shaw  
1220 South Fairlawn Avenue  
Evansville, Indiana 47714

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September 14, 1976

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Capriotti:

The President appreciated your telegram written in support of Director Clarence M. Kelley of the FBI.

By this time you are probably aware that the President concluded that no adequate justification exists for terminating the services of Clarence Kelley. The President has also reaffirmed his support for Director Kelley in his efforts to lead and strengthen the FBI.

Thank you very much for your interest and concern.

Sincerely,

Philip W. Buchen  
Counsel to the President

Mr. and Mrs. A. T. Capriotti  
303 St. Ives Drive  
Severna Park, Maryland 21146

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September 14, 1976

Dear Mrs. Spears:

The President appreciated your telegram written in support of Director Clarence M. Kelley of the FBI.

By this time you are probably aware that the President concluded that no adequate justification exists for terminating the services of Clarence Kelley. The President has also reaffirmed his support for Director Kelley in his efforts to lead and strengthen the FBI.

Thank you very much for your interest and concern.

Sincerely,

Philip W. Buchen  
Counsel to the President

Mrs. C. R. Spears  
2210 Landover Drive  
Vancouver, Washington 98664

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September 14, 1976

Dear Dr. Rubin:

The President appreciated your telegram written in support of Director Clarence M. Kelley of the FBI.

By this time you are probably aware that the President concluded that no adequate justification exists for terminating the services of Clarence Kelley. The President has also reaffirmed his support for Director Kelley in his efforts to lead and strengthen the FBI.

Thank you very much for your interest and concern.

Sincerely,

Philip W. Buchen  
Counsel to the President

Richard B. Rubin, M.D.  
The Retreat Hospital  
2205 Beltline Road, SE.  
Decatur, Alabama 35601

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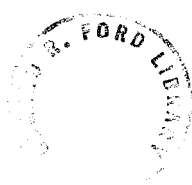
Mr. Philip W. Buchen  
Counsel to the President  
The White House  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Buchen:

I was in hope that your letter and sundry information on Clarence Kelley that you sent me was going to alleviate my fears, but it only convinced me that Nixon is still in the White House but now his name is Ford.

I assume that you are a man of reasonable education, and it surprises me that you would sign your name to such a conglomeration of horrendous nothings. You go to such lengths to prove how legal the gifts were to Kelley, and then you say he is going to pay the government back for them. Why is he doing that if they were legal? I am deeply sorry that his wife suffered and died from a terminal illness. I hate to see anyone suffer, but what in the hell does that have to do with his taking illegal gifts or services from the Bureau?

Obviously, Mr. Buchen, you are a rubber stamp attorney who was only obeying orders like all the others that had "no choice" but to back up the decision of their president. Please assume that there are a few politically aware people that have the intelligence to read and understand the meaning of what is written. When you say that Mr. Kelley did not know or understand where certain gifts were coming from, or who was providing certain services for him, it is beyond my comprehension. Did he

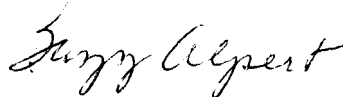


Mr. Philip Buchen  
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think that the tooth fairy was waving her magic wand and these things were happening by magic?

History will find forgiveness in its heart for you though, because you did what you were told to do. After all, the Judges in Nazi Germany made Hitler legal!

Sincerely,



Buzz Alpert

BA/jlg

cc: President Gerald R. Ford



THE WHITE HOUSE  
WASHINGTON

September 15, 1976

Dear Mr. Minners:

In regard to your postcard to the President in which you have registered criticism of Director Clarence M. Kelley of the FBI, I am enclosing a copy of the statement by the White House Press Secretary which was issued September 4, and a statement on the same subject issued by the Department of Justice.

This information explains the President's conclusion, and I trust you will take time to consider the reasons for the President's support of Director Kelley.

Thank you very much for your interest and concern.

Sincerely,

*Philip W. Buchen*

Philip W. Buchen  
Counsel to the President

Mr. W. F. Minners  
Room 42  
475 West Lovell  
Kalamazoo, Michigan 49001

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*P.S. What do you suppose the "small" man thinks of her the "leaders" set such a poor example. What the top dogs want do for Crooked door or a bit more power!*

*"Ignorance of the Law and basic morality seems now to be acceptable excesses for growing not in Washington."*  
*WDM*



September 15, 1976

Dear Miss Leesev:

On behalf of the President, I wish to thank you very much for the letter in support of the President's decision in regard to Director Clarence M. Kelley of the FBI.

Your helpful interest and concern is much appreciated.

Sincerely,

Philip W. Buchen  
Counsel to the President

Miss Frances Leesev  
1513 Cota Avenue  
Torrance, California 90501

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September 15, 1976

Dear Mr. Christopher:

On behalf of the President, I wish to thank you very much for the letter in support of the President's decision in regard to Director Clarence M. Kelley of the FBI.

Your helpful interest and concern is much appreciated.

Sincerely,

Philip W. Buchen  
Counsel to the President

Mr. George Christopher  
President  
Christopher Commercial Corporation  
55 Stonecrest Drive  
San Francisco, California 94132

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September 15, 1976

Dear Mr. Berkley:

On behalf of the President, I wish to thank you very much for the letter in support of the President's decision in regard to Director Clarence M. Kelley of the FBI.

Your helpful interest and concern is much appreciated.

Sincerely,

Philip W. Buchen  
Counsel to the President

Mr. E. Bertram Berkley  
President  
Tension Envelope Corporation  
19th and Campbell Streets  
Kansas City, Missouri 64108

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September 15, 1976

Dear Mrs. Rife:

On behalf of the President, I wish to thank you very much for the letter in support of the President's decision in regard to Director Clarence M. Kelley of the FBI.

Your helpful interest and concern is much appreciated.

Sincerely,

Philip W. Buchen  
Counsel to the President

Mrs. Harry A. Rife  
9816 North 107th Avenue  
Sun City, Arizona 85351

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September 15, 1976

Dear Mr. Freeman:

On behalf of the President, I wish to thank you very much for the letter in support of the President's decision in regard to Director Clarence M. Kelley of the FBI.

Your helpful interest and concern is much appreciated.

Sincerely,

Philip W. Buchen  
Counsel to the President

Mr. Charles L. Freeman  
1319 East Washington Street  
Bloomington, Illinois 61701

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September 15, 1976

Dear Ms. McEachern:

On behalf of the President, I wish to thank you very much for the letter in support of the President's decision in regard to Director Clarence M. Kelley of the FBI.

Your helpful interest and concern is much appreciated.

Sincerely,

Philip W. Buchen  
Counsel to the President

Ms. Margaret McCarthy McEachern  
502 Craven Street  
Beaufort, South Carolina 29902

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September 15, 1976

Dear Mr. Slawson:

Your telegram to the President commenting upon the situation of Director Clarence M. Kelley of the FBI was reviewed prior to the President's action. He considered your views as well as the many which he received expressing support for Director Kelley.

After receiving a full report from the Attorney General, the President announced his conclusion on September 4 as reflected in the enclosed statement by the Press Secretary. On the same day the Department of Justice issued a statement on the same subject, which I am also enclosing.

We thank you for your interest and concern.

Sincerely,

Philip W. Buchen  
Counsel to the President

Mr. R. S. Slawson  
President  
G. W. Dahl Co., Inc.  
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September 15, 1976

Dear Mr. Axler:

Your letter to the President commenting upon the situation of Director Clarence M. Kelley of the FBI was reviewed prior to the President's action. He considered your views as well as the many which he received expressing support for Director Kelley.

After receiving a full report from the Attorney General, the President announced his conclusion on September 4 as reflected in the enclosed statement by the Press Secretary. On the same day the Department of Justice issued a statement on the same subject, which I am also enclosing.

We thank you for your interest and concern.

Sincerely,

Philip W. Buchen  
Counsel to the President

Mr. William Axler  
R.F.D. 3, McDougal Lane  
Peekskill, New York 10566

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September 15, 1976

Dear Mr. Minners:

In regard to your postcard to the President in which you have registered criticism of Director Clarence M. Kelley of the FBI, I am enclosing a copy of the statement by the White House Press Secretary which was issued September 4, and a statement on the same subject issued by the Department of Justice.

This information explains the President's conclusion, and I trust you will take time to consider the reasons for the President's support of Director Kelley.

Thank you very much for your interest and concern.

Sincerely,

Philip W. Buchen  
Counsel to the President

Mr. W. F. Minners  
Room 42  
475 West Lovell  
Kalamazoo, Michigan 49007

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September 15, 1976

Dear Mr. Freres:

In regard to your letter to the President in which you have registered criticism of Director Clarence M. Kelley of the FBI, I am enclosing a copy of the statement by the White House Press Secretary which was issued September 4, and a statement on the same subject issued by the Department of Justice.

This information explains the President's conclusion, and I trust you will take time to consider the reasons for the President's support of Director Kelley.

Thank you very much for your interest and concern.

Sincerely,

Philip W. Buchen  
Counsel to the President

Mr. Michael Freres  
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Santa Ana, California 92705

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September 15, 1976

Dear Mrs. Olsons:

In regard to your letter to the President in which you have registered criticism of Director Clarence M. Kelley of the FBI, I am enclosing a copy of the statement by the White House Press Secretary which was issued September 4, and a statement on the same subject issued by the Department of Justice.

This information explains the President's conclusion, and I trust you will take time to consider the reasons for the President's support of Director Kelley.

Thank you very much for your interest and concern.

Sincerely,

Philip W. Buchen  
Counsel to the President

Mrs. Harold A. Olson  
5707 North Washington  
Hutchinson, Kansas 67501

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September 15, 1976

Dear Mr. Patterson:

In regard to your letter to the President in which you have registered criticism of Director Clarence M. Kelley of the FBI, I am enclosing a copy of the statement by the White House Press Secretary which was issued September 4, and a statement on the same subject issued by the Department of Justice.

This information explains the President's conclusion, and I trust you will take time to consider the reasons for the President's support of Director Kelley.

Thank you very much for your interest and concern.

Sincerely,

Philip W. Buchen  
Counsel to the President

Mr. Allen D. Patterson  
424 Kemmerer Road  
State College, Pennsylvania 16801

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September 15, 1976

Dear Mrs. Tiernan:

In regard to your letter to the President in which you have registered criticism of Director Clarence M. Kelley of the FBI, I am enclosing a copy of the statement by the White House Press Secretary which was issued September 4, and a statement on the same subject issued by the Department of Justice.

This information explains the President's conclusion, and I trust you will take time to consider the reasons for the President's support of Director Kelley.

Thank you very much for your interest and concern.

Sincerely,

Philip W. Buchen  
Counsel to the President

Mrs. Edward D. Tiernan  
60 Butler Street  
Revere, Massachusetts 02151

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September 15, 1976

Dear Dr. Bell:

In regard to your letter to the President in which you have registered criticism of Director Clarence M. Kelley of the FBI, I am enclosing a copy of the statement by the White House Press Secretary which was issued September 4, and a statement on the same subject issued by the Department of Justice.

This information explains the President's conclusion, and I trust you will take time to consider the reasons for the President's support of Director Kelley.

Thank you very much for your interest and concern.

Sincerely,

Philip W. Buchen  
Counsel to the President

The Reverend Charles R. Bell, Jr.  
Bellevue Heights Church  
9440 Hutton Drive  
Sun City, Arizona 85351

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September 15, 1976

Dear Mr. Rutter:

In regard to your letter to the President in which you have registered criticism of Director Clarence M. Kelley of the FBI, I am enclosing a copy of the statement by the White House Press Secretary which was issued September 4, and a statement on the same subject issued by the Department of Justice.

This information explains the President's conclusion, and I trust you will take time to consider the reasons for the President's support of Director Kelley.

Thank you very much for your interest and concern.

Sincerely,

Philip W. Buchen  
Counsel to the President

Mr. Thomas B. Rutter  
1314 Chestnut Street  
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19107

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September 15, 1976

Dear Mr. Chirikas:

In regard to your letter to the President in which you have registered criticism of Director Clarence M. Kelley of the FBI, I am enclosing a copy of the statement by the White House Press Secretary which was issued September 4, and a statement on the same subject issued by the Department of Justice.

This information explains the President's conclusion, and I trust you will take time to consider the reasons for the President's support of Director Kelley.

Thank you very much for your interest and concern.

Sincerely,

Philip W. Buchen  
Counsel to the President

Mr. James B. Chirikas  
8009 East Earl  
Scottsdale, Arizona 85251

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September 15, 1976

Dear Mrs. List:

In regard to your letter to the President in which you have registered criticism of Director Clarence M. Kelley of the FBI, I am enclosing a copy of the statement by the White House Press Secretary which was issued September 4, and a statement on the same subject issued by the Department of Justice.

This information explains the President's conclusion, and I trust you will take time to consider the reasons for the President's support of Director Kelley.

Thank you very much for your interest and concern.

Sincerely,

Philip W. Buchen  
Counsel to the President

Mrs. D. Clarence List  
3613 Chevy Chase Lake Drive  
Chevy Chase, Maryland 20015

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September 15, 1976

Dear Mr. Herbison:

In regard to your letter to the President in which you have registered criticism of Director Clarence M. Kelley of the FBI, I am enclosing a copy of the statement by the White House Press Secretary which was issued September 4, and a statement on the same subject issued by the Department of Justice.

This information explains the President's conclusion, and I trust you will take time to consider the reasons for the President's support of Director Kelley.

Thank you very much for your interest and concern.

Sincerely,

Philip W. Buchen  
Counsel to the President

Mr. Robert Herbison  
86 River Street  
Sidney, New York 13838

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September 15, 1976

Dear Mrs. Arthur:

In regard to your letter to the President in which you have registered criticism of Director Clarence M. Kelley of the FBI, I am enclosing a copy of the statement by the White House Press Secretary which was issued September 4, and a statement on the same subject issued by the Department of Justice.

This information explains the President's conclusion, and I trust you will take time to consider the reasons for the President's support of Director Kelley.

Thank you very much for your interest and concern.

Sincerely,

Philip W. Buchen  
Counsel to the President

Mrs. Robert Arthur  
9330 Cherokee Lane  
Beverly Hills, California 90210

Enclosures

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September 15, 1976

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Rhodes  
and Mrs. Benton:

On behalf of the President, I wish to  
thank you very much for the mailgram in  
support of the President's decision in  
regard to Director Clarence M. Kelley  
of the FBI.

Your helpful interest and concern is  
much appreciated.

Sincerely,

Philip W. Buchen  
Counsel to the President

Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Rhodes  
Mrs. Myrtle M. Benton  
418 Colonial  
Garland, Texas 75043

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September 15, 1976

Dear Miss Weber:

On behalf of the President, I wish to thank you very much for the letter in support of the President's decision in regard to Director Clarence M. Kelley of the FBI.

Your helpful interest and concern is much appreciated.

Sincerely,

Philip W. Buchen  
Counsel to the President

Miss Barbara J. Weber  
Post Office Box 146  
Anthon, Iowa 51004

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September 15, 1976

Dear Mr. Prater:

On behalf of the President, I wish to thank you very much for the letter in support of the President's decision in regard to Director Clarence M. Kalley of the FBI.

Your helpful interest and concern is much appreciated.

Sincerely,

Philip W. Buchen  
Counsel to the President

Mr. Bryan Prater  
Apartment 4  
1704 South Limestone Street  
Lexington, Kentucky 40503

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September 15, 1976

Dear Mrs. Schmuser:

On behalf of the President, I wish to thank you very much for the letter in support of the President's decision in regard to Director Clarence M. Kelley of the FBI.

Your helpful interest and concern is much appreciated.

Sincerely,

Philip W. Buchen  
Counsel to the President

Mrs. Lydia B. Schmuser  
2044 Griffith Park Boulevard  
Los Angeles, California 90039

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September 15, 1976

Dear Mrs. Grimaldi:

On behalf of the President, I wish to thank you very much for the letter in support of the President's decision in regard to Director Clarence M. Kelley of the FBI.

Your helpful interest and concern is much appreciated.

Sincerely,

Philip W. Buchen  
Counsel to the President

Mrs. Thomas Grimaldi  
708 Bentley Court  
St. James, New York 11780

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Eugene, OR 97401



Mr. G. Ford  
White House  
1600 Pennsylvania Ave.  
Washington D.C.  
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Mr. President: Com - Mr. Kelley 9/16/76  
You waived justice in lieu of "compassion" for both  
Mr. Nixon and Mr. Kelley. I thought the former was based  
on the latter. In any case, either one would be greatly ap-  
preciated concerning Aquash Murder Still Unsolved A.M. Aquash.

# FBI Chief Denies Oregon Times Charges

Hopefully  
Not in Files

By James Goodman

WASHINGTON, D.C.—Despite the high-



"no action with respect to the alleged

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THE WHITE HOUSE  
WASHINGTON

September 14, 1976

*I have read and reread the enclosures*

Dear Mr. Clay:

In regard to your message to the President in which you have registered criticism of Director Clarence M. Kelley of the FBI, I am enclosing a copy of the statement by the White House Press Secretary which was issued September 4, and a statement on the same subject issued by the Department of Justice.

This information explains the President's conclusion, and I trust you will take time to consider the reasons for the President's support of Director Kelley.

Thank you very much for your interest and concern.

Sincerely,

*Philip W. Buchen*

Philip W. Buchen  
Counsel to the President

Mr. L. H. Clay  
1135 North 17th Street  
Manitowoc, Wisconsin 54220

Enclosures

*please see reverse.*

*Philip W. Buchen*

← all you  
gotta do is  
belong to the club.

9/16/76

Dear Sir

This still looks like a  
flagrant misuse of  
privilege to me.

If he wasn't smart  
enough to know he was  
under a microscope then  
he isn't smart enough  
to run the F.B.I.

Ford has vastly overworked  
the word Compassion.

I see Kelley Sarrow  
did not dull his eye for  
a new and much too  
young mate. ~~What a~~

Respectfully

L.H. Clay



# Scott Probe Is Dropped

*Matt  
Beach*

WASHINGTON (AP) — Senate Minority Leader Hugh Scott says he found it "most gratifying" that the Senate Ethics Committee dropped its inquiry into his link with alleged illegal Gulf Oil Corp. contributions. Thus, barring any new developments, it appears unlikely that the full details of Scott's involvement in the Gulf money controversy will ever be made public.

The 76-year-old Pennsylvanian, who decided not to seek re-election this year after 16 years in the House and 17 more in the Senate, said Thursday that the ethics panel had conducted a "thorough and objective" review of the matter.

In a closed-door meeting Wednesday, the panel voted 5 to 1 against pursuing allegations that Scott received up to \$10,000 annually from 1960 to 1973 from Gulf's former chief Washington lobbyist, Claude Wild. Although several committee members and staff aides confirmed the vote, the committee made no official announcement of the move and committee leaders declined to discuss it publicly. Scott, however, issued a statement taking at least some of the credit for the move.

"I initiated the committee's action by voluntarily submitting a written report to the committee," his statement said. "I supplemented this with a personal statement of the facts, as

I had offered to do voluntarily when I submitted my written statement."

Neither Scott nor his staff would discuss the matter further nor make copies of that report available to the public.

Scott's link to Gulf funds was revealed last year when a Gulf attorney said in a sworn statement that during his internal investigation of Gulf's political slush fund, he had been told by Wild that Scott received \$10,000 a year in company funds for his personal use for about 13 years.

Scott has declined to make a detailed public response to this. Instead, he has said that he never knowingly received any corporate funds from Gulf and that while he did accept some money from Wild, he did not know at the time it came from corporate funds and that he gave the money to other GOP senators.

Wild has refused to confirm or deny his own reported role.

It is a felony for a politician to knowingly accept corporate funds for a political campaign.

Scott reportedly told the Ethics Committee he received about \$45,000 in contributions from Wild.

"Corroboration was sought and received," Scott's statement continued. "The clearance by the committee is most gratifying."

The Ethics Committee vote, (Continued on Page 2)





September 17, 1976

TO: NICK MERLINO

FROM: EVA DAUGHTREY

More FBI Director  
letters. Thanks.



September 20, 1976

Dear Mr. Roughtley:

In regard to your letter to the President in which you have registered criticism of Director Clarence M. Kelley of the FBI, I am enclosing a copy of the statement by the White House Press Secretary which was issued September 4, and a statement on the same subject issued by the Department of Justice.

This information explains the President's conclusion, and I trust you will take time to consider the reasons for the President's support of Director Kelley.

Thank you very much for your interest and concern.

Sincerely,

Philip W. Buchen  
Counsel to the President

Mr. William C. Roughtley  
Kenilworth-Alden Park  
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19144

Enclosures

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September 20, 1976

Dear Miss Woolery:

On behalf of the President, I wish to thank you very much for the letter in support of the President's decision in regard to Director Clarence M. Kelley of the FBI.

Your helpful interest and concern are much appreciated.

Sincerely,

Philip W. Buchen  
Counsel to the President

Miss Virginia L. Woolery  
2535 Oakley  
Kansas City, Missouri 64127

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September 20, 1976

Dear Mrs. Apana:

On behalf of the President, I wish to thank you very much for the letter in support of the President's decision in regard to Director Clarence M. Kelley of the FBI.

Your helpful interest and concern are much appreciated.

Sincerely,

Philip W. Buchen  
Counsel to the President

Mrs. Lana L. Apana  
173 Fig Street  
Fairborn, Ohio 45324

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PWB-9 (Rev)



September 20, 1976

Dear Miss Shulsinger:

In regard to your letter to the President in which you have registered criticism of Director Clarence M. Kelley of the FBI, I am enclosing a copy of the statement by the White House Press Secretary which was issued September 4, and a statement on the same subject issued by the Department of Justice.

This information explains the President's conclusion, and I trust you will take time to consider the reasons for the President's support of Director Kelley.

Thank you very much for your interest and concern.

Sincerely,

Philip W. Buchen  
Counsel to the President

Miss Stephanie Shulsinger  
26907 Indian Peak Road  
Rancho Palos Verdes, California 90274

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September 20, 1976

Dear Mr. Eckhardt:

In regard to your letter to the President in which you have registered criticism of Director Clarence M. Kelley of the FBI, I am enclosing a copy of the statement by the White House Press Secretary which was issued September 4, and a statement on the same subject issued by the Department of Justice.

This information explains the President's conclusion, and I trust you will take time to consider the reasons for the President's support of Director Kelley.

Thank you very much for your interest and concern.

Sincerely,

Philip W. Buchen  
Counsel to the President

Mr. Norman W. Eckhardt  
6751 Gaston Avenue  
Dallas, Texas 75214

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September 20, 1976

Dear Miss Olson:

In regard to your letter to the President in which you have registered criticism of Director Clarence M. Kelley of the FBI, I am enclosing a copy of the statement by the White House Press Secretary which was issued September 4, and a statement on the same subject issued by the Department of Justice.

This information explains the President's conclusion, and I trust you will take time to consider the reasons for the President's support of Director Kelley.

Thank you very much for your interest and concern.

Sincerely,

Philip W. Buchen  
Counsel to the President

Miss Elidah Olson  
Apartment B207  
723 East Second Avenue  
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*Kelley*

THE WHITE HOUSE  
WASHINGTON

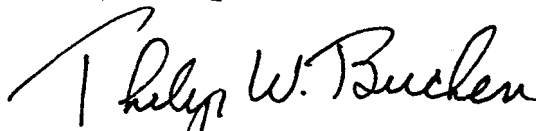
September 21, 1976

Dear Mrs. Tarrell:

In behalf of the President, I  
acknowledge your letter concerning  
Director Clarence Kelley of the  
FBI.

I particularly note your concern  
about the organization known as  
"AIMS".

Sincerely,



Philip W. Buchen  
Counsel to the President

Mrs. Clifford Tarrell  
Box 294  
Witten, South Dakota 57584



Witten, South Dakota  
57584  
September 12, 1976

President Gerald Ford  
The White House  
Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Mr. President;

How under the sun could Clarence M. Kelley, get to be head of the FBI, with the back ground he has ? To think he witnessed for the Communist AIMS, and against the FBI agents, who were killed at Pine Ridge, during the trial at Cedar Rapids, Iowa.

Every one was just appalled over Wounded Knee of 73. Who was backing the AIMS ? From the reports of Clarence Kelley, he was helping back up those criminal Communist AIMS. They said the criminal, has nothing to fear under Clarence Kelley. We have certainly seen that here in our own county, and State. Our States Attorneys and the Attorney General, are backing up criminals.

No wonder the AIMS howled, when Richard Held was being transferred from Minneapolis to Washington. Those AIMS knew they had the backing of the Government, or they would never have done the destruction in Washington, D.C. and Wounded Knee. What a shame, we can't trust our public officials.

Mr. President; please get the Kelley out of the office immediately, and see to it that he is prosecuted along with these AIMS. If Mr. Held is the FBI, he should be, he can give you a lot of information on Wounded Knee.

Mr. Kelley testified that the FBI, didn't consider the AIMS objectionable, subversive or unAmerican. No real American could agree with such as that. Please see to it that we get some one at the head of the FBI, that is a real American ?

We need men today like George Washington, and Abraham Lincoln, who had the power of God in their lives, and courage enough to stand up and show it.

I don't envy you your job. I know it isn't easy, but it isn't easy for us, when we have a man like Mr. Kelley, backing up criminals in our public offices, and we are unable to get action against criminals.

PLEASE GET MR. KELLEY OUT ?

Sincerely,  
*Mrs. Clifford Tarrell*  
Mrs. Clifford Tarrell



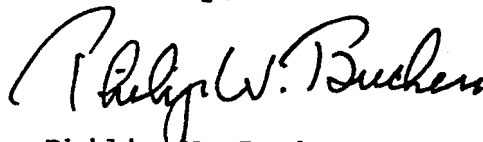
THE WHITE HOUSE  
WASHINGTON  
September 21, 1976

*Kelley*  
*(Backup C. files)*

Dear Mrs. Blangger:

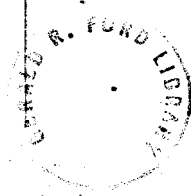
In behalf of the President, I am acknowledging your letter to him concerning Director Clarence Kelley. The President reached his conclusion concerning the continuation of Director Kelley's services after careful consideration of all the facts and circumstances. Many people, including those most familiar with the facts, have supported this result.

Sincerely,



Philip W. Buchen  
Counsel to the President

Mrs. Clara Blangger  
305 Chimney Rock  
Lufkin, Texas 75901



THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

September 21, 1976

*Kelley*

Dear Mr. Sweeney:

In behalf of the President, I am acknowledging your letter of September 9th.

I regret your disagreement with the President's judgment concerning the services of Director Clarence Kelley. A great many people, including those familiar with all the facts and circumstances, have endorsed the continuation of Director Kelley in office. Also, Governor Carter declined to say that he would act to relieve Director Kelley in the event the Governor were successful in the current election.

Sincerely,

*Philip W. Buchen*

Philip W. Buchen  
Counsel to the President

Mr. J. M. Sweeney  
President  
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9/9/76

President Ford  
The White House  
Washington, DC

Sir:

Hurrah for Jimmy Carter & his comments on YOUR Gestopo chief Kelley.

My hurrah is for two reasons:

1. Carter is willing to speak his opinion even if it makes some people mad. A president can't be all things to all men and he at least stands up and is willing to be counted.
2. He is making it plain to all his cohorts that he will not tolerate the hanky panky you have allowed to go on in the government. Kelley is just another name of a violator of the law to join your long list of NIXON, AGNEW, ETC.....

It appears justice is only extracted from non-republicans.....

Your comments about Kelley repaying the government for services he did not know (a bald face lie) were given is laughable. How about Randolph Hearst repaying the Hibernia Bank \$10,000.00 and dropping all charges against Patty?

Your comments about no compassion for Kelley are laughable too - when I wrote you about compassionate for a kidnapped Patty Hearst your underling replied that you could not comment on a case in court---SO WITH KELLEY YOU KILL IT BEFORE IT EVEN GETS TO COURT. He is supposed to be an example and yet he is more guilty than most of the people his gestopo catches.

When more corruption is discovered it will be covered up or pardoned by you but thank God you only have a few more months in office. .

A disgusted citizen,

*J. M. Sweeney*  
J.M. Sweeney, Pres.

CC to: Mr. Carter, and taker-of-gifts Kelley



THE WHITE HOUSE  
WASHINGTON

September 21, 1976

Dear Mr. Higgins:

In behalf of the President, I want to thank you very much for your thoughtful letter of September 13th.

We very much appreciate your support of Director Clarence Kelley and note with interest your comments on the project of the LEAA, which you find extravagant and unnecessary.

We appreciate your support and interest.

Sincerely,

*Philip W. Buchen*

Philip W. Buchen  
Counsel to the President

Mr. L. L. Higgins  
Executive Director  
American Federation of Police  
1100 N.E. 125th Street  
North Miami, Florida 33161

*Kelley*



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PONTIAC, MICHIGAN

13th September 1976

Honorable Gerald S. Ford  
President of the United States  
The White House  
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. President:

The petty attacks on the F.B.I. Director, Clarence Kelley in recent weeks, must be stopped. We firmly believe that in attacking the Director, the national focus is intended to destroy the work of the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

Never before in our history has it been so necessary to give continuous attention to groups of terrorists intent on destroying the public's faith in local, state and federal law enforcement agencies and their ability to cope with the bombs of terrorist "death squads."

Domestic intelligence is a necessity. There are enemies "within". Intelligence is a misused name. It is simply the gathering of data from informants or citizens in matters of concern to this country. Motivation of these patriots is a desire to assist the law enforcement people

It has always been the aim of foreign enemies to destroy this nation from within. Not only must we defend the efforts of Mr. Kelley; but also all lawmen who seek to protect this country from the importation of acts of violence and terrorism from Central and South America and from other parts of the globe.

The very nature of the position held by Director Kelley is one wherein the only people having access to his home or office would be F B I personnel. The act of giving credibility to the petty charges of some work performed on wood valances for his home draperies seems staggering and preposterous.

We respectfully call your attention to real waste as described in the enclosed article relative to the LEAA prototype patrol car. Some people would consider this waste by the millions.

Sincerely,

L.L. HIGGINS  
Executive Director



THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

September 21, 1976

Dear Mr. Tyrrell:

In behalf of the President, I thank you very much for your letter of September 9th. Your approval of his decision to retain the services of Director Kelley and your comments on the President's leadership are very much appreciated.

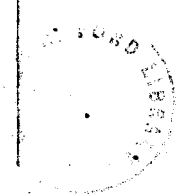
Sincerely,

*Philip W. Buchen*

Philip W. Buchen  
Counsel to the President

Mr. Arthur T. Tyrrell  
Sheriff of McHenry County  
McHenry County Sheriff's  
Department  
Woodstock, Illinois 60098

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McHENRY COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT  
WOODSTOCK, ILL. 60098

OFFICE OF THE SHERIFF  
ARTHUR T. TYRRELL

September 9, 1976

President Gerald Ford  
The White House  
Washington, D. C.

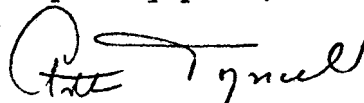
Dear Mr. President:

My wholehearted congratulations to you on your recent decision exonerating Clarence Kelley, Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, of any wrongdoing. I believe I speak not only for law enforcement but also for the people when I say that we are sick and tired of the nitpicking that is being conducted by the news media.

Four months ago after conferring with Congressman Robert McClory, I made the decision that I would endorse you. As a Democratic leader in my community, needless to say, it is being met with a great deal of opposition by my party.

Strength and leadership is a prerequisite for a President, not a peanut vendor.

Very truly yours,



Arthur T. Tyrrell  
Sheriff of McHenry County

ATT:cvp

Copy: Clarence Kelley

McHENRY COUNTY ILL. 60098

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

September 22, 1976

Dear Mr. Galanti:

In behalf of the President, I acknowledge your letter to him of September 14.

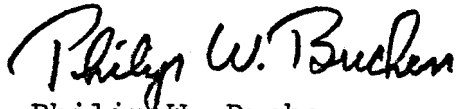
In regard to Director Kelley, I enclose information concerning the conclusion reached by the President.

You also refer to questions concerning Senator Dole, but I find no basis for the questions.

The President's policy in regard to the abortion situation is not ambiguous. As President, he is bound to carry out the laws as interpreted by the United States Supreme Court, even though he personally objects to abortion on demand. From the time he was a Congressman, he has expressed his support of a constitutional amendment which would leave to the States the right of regulating the availability of abortions.

Best wishes.

Sincerely,



Philip W. Buchen  
Counsel to the President

Mr. Paul J. Galanti  
1055 Collingwood Drive  
Indianapolis, Indiana 46208

Enclosure

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1055 Collingwood Drive  
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September 14, 1976

Honorable Gerald R. Ford  
White House  
Washington, D.C.

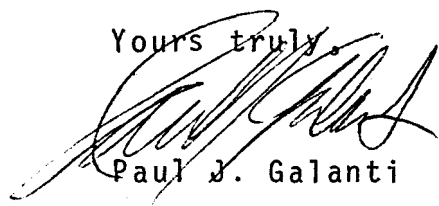
Sir:

I was extremely dismayed at your refusal to remove Mr. Clarence Kelley as Director of the F.B.I. for what is a clear violation of the law. Your "compassion" argument leaves me cold. It is another example of the kind of "reasoning" that led to your unconscionable pardon of Richard Nixon.

There can be one possible benefit from your decision in the Kelley case and that is hopefully you will spare us (the American people) any campaign rhetoric about restoring faith in the integrity of the government in Washington. Of course it would have been difficult for you to argue that position in light of your selection of Senator Dole as your vice-presidential running mate. His involvement in the ITT convention offer of 1972 as well as the still questionable \$5000 or \$6000 campaign contribution from Gulf Oil Company demonstrates that your concept of governmental integrity is not much better than that of your predecessor.

I should also state that I am very much opposed to your position on the abortion issue. I really should qualify that by saying I really don't know your position because according to one of your assistant press secretary's (as reported in the Indianapolis Star) the position of the republican party is not against abortions but in favor of the right to life of unborn children. That is campaign double talk of the worst stripe. I gather from that that you are in favor of abortion unless the fetus is destroyed. This obviously is a medical impossibility. Of course, the abortion issue should be of minor significance in the 1976 presidential election. The main issue should be the incredible record of mismanagement of the Nixon-Ford administration over the past 8 years. If the American electorate keeps that point in mind I am sure Governor Carter will overwhelm you at the polls in November.

Yours truly,



Paul J. Galanti

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Our letter to her  
attached

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3613 Chevy Chase Lake Drive  
Chevy Chase, Maryland 20015

September 22, 1976

Mr. Philip W. Buchen  
Counsel to the President  
The White House  
Washington, D. C. 20006

Dear Mr. Buchen:

Time Magazine, September 13, 1976, printed an article entitled, "Beware Agents Bearing Gifts." An excerpt is as follows:

"According to an FBI source, Kelley's wife, who died of cancer last November, had asked Kelley in 1973 to get the valances. Preoccupied, Kelley told his driver, Agent Thomas Moten, to take care of the matter. Having served on Hoover's personal staff, Moten did as he had done in the past: asked the exhibit section to help out. When Kelley asked Moten how much the valances cost, the chauffeur replied: 'What the hell, boss, it was only scrap lumber -- forget it.' Until last week, Kelley did."

This somewhat contradicts the statement on page 4 of the report by the Department of Justice.

Incidentally, valances are not used for protection. They are decorative panels mounted between the ceiling and the top of a window.

There is no need for you to reply. I'm sending a copy of this letter, your letter and the material you sent me, to Mr. Carter.

Sincerely,



de Graffenried List

cc: Candidate James Carter

P.S. The lady you told to call me was quite upset when I asked her some questions about the President's speeches. Next time ask someone who is better equipped to explain the President's mental processes.

September 15, 1976

Dear Mrs. List:

In regard to your letter to the President in which you have registered criticism of Director Clarence M. Kelley of the FBI, I am enclosing a copy of the statement by the White House Press Secretary which was issued September 4, and a statement on the same subject issued by the Department of Justice.

This information explains the President's conclusion, and I trust you will take time to consider the reasons for the President's support of Director Kelley.

Thank you very much for your interest and concern.

Sincerely,

Philip W. Buchen  
Counsel to the President

Mrs. D. Clarence List  
3613 Chevy Chase Lake Drive  
Chevy Chase, Maryland 20015

Enclosures

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*Director Kelley*

September 24, 1976

Dear Mr. Loehr:

In behalf of the President, I am acknowledging your recent letter in which you register criticism of the President's action concerning Director Clarence Kelley of the FBI. For your information, I am enclosing material on the subject.

I trust you will get a better understanding of the President's action through reading this material.

Sincerely,

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Counsel to the President

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